



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Kurt KEMPER et al

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Docket No.: 2920-114

Examiner: Irene Cuda Rosenbaum

Group Art Unit: 3726

For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR THE SURFACE TREATMENT OF WORKPIECES AND THEIR USE

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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October 17, 2003

Sir:

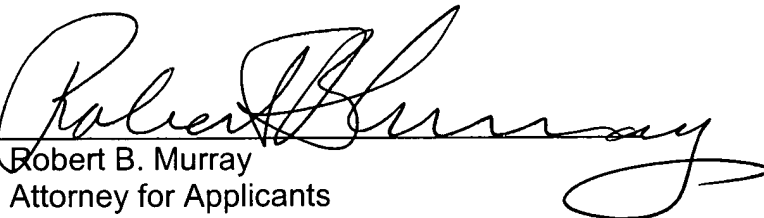
In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on September 17, 2003, the applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group I, namely method claims 1-18 and 53-58, for prosecution in the present application. This election is made without traverse. The applicants are retaining the non-elected apparatus claims for the time being, pending consideration of the possibility of filing a divisional application directed thereto.

Early and favorable action on the merits is awaited.

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